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From: WASHINGTON

To: MOSCOW

No.: 1805

31 July 1943

To: Name #18.

The last supplementary work on trawlers #111 and #112 is being completed, they will be turned over to us completely on 3-5 August.

Trawler #113 had its control run 19 July, all supplementary work is being done. Flag raising and complete preparedness on 3 August.

Trawler #114 had its control run 24 July, flag raising 6 July.

Trawler #115 had an unsuccessful factory run 29 July, it will be repeated 1 August.

Flag was raised on the second submarine chaser 23 July. Both submarine chasers will leave for Tampa any day [2 groups unrecovered] with trawlers and preparation for the trip to the USSR.

The third submarine chaser #SC1285 arrived in Miami 28 July [3 groups unrecovered] flag raising 3-4 August.

The life-saving [?bell?] will be ready in the near future [5 groups unrecovered]. Please let us know at once where it will be more convenient to send it - to the Persian Gulf, which is more convenient and quicker here, or to Vladivostok.

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